

# Searchlight Town Advisory Board

July 10, 2019

## **MINUTES**

Board Members: Kyle Myers – Chair

Donna Moore - Vice Chair

Ellie Deever Janis Kostecky

Martin Batchelor - excused absence

Secretary: Tammy Harris (702) 298-0828 tammy.harris@clarkcountynv.gov

Town Liaison: Dr. Brian Paulson (702) 298-0828 bkp@clarkcountynv.gov

I. Call to Order by Chair Kyle Myers at 7:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance led by Donna Moore.

II. Public Comment: None

III. Approval of June 12, 2019, Minutes.

Moved by: Janis Kostecky

Action: Approved

Vote: 4-0

IV. Approval of July 10, 2019, agenda, and hold, combine or delete any items. (For possible action)

Moved by: Ellie Deever

Action: Approved

Vote: 4-0

V. Informational Items

1. Receive a report from Metro Police regarding activity and statistics during the past month and other area crime concerns. (For discussion only)

Officer Michael Irleand arrived late but provided the June report.

June 2019 Statistics:

Calls for Service: 27 Traffic Citations: 124

DUI: 0

Battery Domestic Violence Arrests: 1

Bookings: 7

Juvenile Citations: 0

2. Receive a report from Nevada Highway Patrol regarding activity and statistics during the last month and other public safety concerns. (For discussion only)

No report

3. Receive a report from Searchlight Volunteer Fire District regarding calls for service during the past month and other fire prevention issues. (For discussion only)

No report

4. Receive a report from Judge Richard Hill with Justice Court regarding statistics and other activities during the past month. (For discussion only)

No report

5. Receive a report from Omar Saucedo with Las Vegas Valley Water District regarding the status of the water system. (For discussion only)

In Omar Saucedo's absence, Ellie Deever read the report.

Water usage for June 2018 and 2019:

June 2019: 6.67 million gallons June 2018: 7.00 million gallons

Searchlight used 330,000 gallons less than this time last year.

All wells are operational and the system is stable.

6. Receive a report from Greg Turner with Clark County Water Reclamation District regarding the status of the water system and water usage. (For discussion only)

In Greg Turner's absence, Donna Moore read the report.

June 2019 Statistics:

June 2019: Treated an average of 32,000 gallons per day June 2018: Treated an average of 39,000 gallons per day Flow decrease: 7,000 gallons per day from this time last year Sewer service complaints: 0 Call Before You Dig Tickets: 3

7. Receive a report from Patrick Knierman with the U.S. Park Service regarding current issues and activities in the area and other related concerns. (For discussion only)

Ranger Tom Thorne read the NPS report and updates for June 2019.

#### Incidents:

- Violation Notices Issued: 24
- ♦ Arrest: 2
- MVA/Vessel Accidents: 2
- ◆ EMS: 6◆ Fires: 1
- Search and Rescues: 7

### Significant Incidents:

- Assisted Metro with tracking down a suspect from an assault in Searchlight.
- A near drowning on Cottonwood Cove swim beach resulted with an adult male pulled out by bystanders and treated by NPS and Rescue 75. He was then flown to a Las Vegas hospital. The person was not wearing a life jacket.
- EMS was called for a child with a severe allergic reaction. The child was treated by NPS and EMS 75, then flown to a Las Vegas hospital.
- The Fourth of July holiday was quiet. The wind kept many off the water and several left early to check on their home in California due to the recent earthquakes. The biggest impact was the mounds of trash left everywhere.

For full NPS report as presented to the Searchlight Town Board, contact the Laughlin Town Manager's Office for a copy.

8. Receive a report from Richard deClercq with Parks & Recreation regarding the status of programs and upcoming activities. (For discussion only)

Richard deClercq provided the June report.

June 2019 Statistics:

20 programs 374 participants 584 visits

**Upcoming Special Events:** 

Movies in the Park scheduled for late September or early October. Dates to be determined.

Updates:

Searchlight Community Park is getting a basketball court replacement. Project should be completed early September.

Commissioner Naft will be hosting a community health fair at the Searchlight Community Center on September 7<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 until 11:00 a.m.

Clark County Parks and Recreation will be accepting applications for two part time positions starting July 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Contact information:

Richard deClercq, Supervisor

Michelle Brown, Recreation Assistant / office hours Tuesday-Friday 9:00 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.

Searchlight Office: (702) 297-1682 Laughlin Office: (702) 298-3413

9. Receive a report from Kelli Carlson with Searchlight Library regarding current and upcoming programs. (For discussion only)

Kelli Carlson provided the June report.

- 1. Children's Activities:
  - a) During the Summer Learning Challenge, the Library will have an open read on Tuesdays and various programs on Thursdays and Saturdays to ensure children can qualify for the grand prize in their category.
  - b) Make your own pillow craft will be held on July 11th at 1:30 p.m.
  - c) Children's art class will be held on Saturday, July 13<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 a.m.
  - d) The garden box build went well with the kids learning practical construction skills while building the box. Currently, permission is needed to install the garden box on the grounds and hopefully the first crop can be planted by September.
  - e) Snacks will be provided for 18-year-olds and younger on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 2:00 until 4:00 p.m., and on Saturdays from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Food will be provided in partnership with Three Square.
  - f) There will be no special programming during the first two weeks of August. Programs will resume after school begins.
- 2. Adult Activities:
  - a) Book Club will meet on Tuesday, July 23<sup>rd</sup>, and Tuesday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, at 10:30 a.m. at the Senior Center. See Kelli Carlson for details.

b) Sip and Paint will be held on July 25<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 p.m. All supplies will be provided by the Library.

3. General News:

a) iPad lending is available and is similar to the Hotspot lending program.

See the Library's Facebook page for full details on all programs.

10. Receive a report from Janis Kostecky with Searchlight Senior Center regarding current and upcoming activities. (For discussion only)

Janis Kostecky provided the report.

Thursday night dinners, salad bar opens at 4:30 p.m., and dinner at 5:00 p.m. Adults are \$4.00 per person and children under 8 are \$3.00 per child. Everyone is welcome.

The Nook has been redone to include clothing for children and teenagers. Tuesdays are \$1.00 a bag shopping days unless marked. Hours open are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday from 9:00 a.m. till 12:00 p.m. and Thursdays from 1:00-7:00 p.m. Bingo begins at 6:00 p.m.

11. Receive a report from Kyle Myers regarding current road conditions and Public Work concerns. (For discussion only)

Kyle Myers reported the same six non-working street lights for the third month in a row.

12. Receive an update from Southwest Gas regarding proposed natural gas pipeline from Laughlin to Henderson, Nevada. (For discussion only)

Oliver Montenegro, Engineering Supervisor, provided a project overview which included:

- History of existing pipelines
- Purpose and scope
- Pipeline alignment for Laughlin and Searchlight

This project will involve three phases. The first phase will be south of Searchlight and continue to the Eldorado Valley, south of Las Vegas.

Questions and concerns from the residents included: gas lines installed in the town of Searchlight; concerns regarding existing gas lines taken out of commission; and availability of obtaining additional detailed plans of the pipelines.

13. Receive a report from Steven De Stefano of Republic Services regarding garbage recycling practices for Searchlight community. (For discussion only)

Mr. De Stefano addressed questions and concerns regarding the Searchlight trash service which included:

- Same truck usage for both pick up of trash and recyclable at same time;
- Driving too fast through residential areas;
- Containers for town clean up; and
- Dump station fee
- 14. Announcements of upcoming neighborhood meetings and County or community meetings and events. (For discussion only)

Jane Overy announced that on October 12<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m., there will be a celebration to recognize 30 years of the Searchlight Community Center, which will also recognize the Museum, Parks and Recreation, and the Library. There will be speakers with the possibility of Commissioner Naft attending. Cake will be served. More details to follow.

15. Searchlight Museum Guild and the Searchlight Senior Center to present three high school graduates from Searchlight – Christian Lucido, Jordan Pinkerton, and Joshua Scott – with awards. (For discussion only)

Janis Kostecky from the Senior Center said every year the Museum Guild and the Senior Center get together to honor and recognize the local graduates of the senior class.

Jordan Pinkerton was awarded monies from the Museum Guild and the Senior Center for his achievements among the graduating class of 2019.

- VI. Planning & Zoning: None
- VII. General Business:
  - 1. Discuss and recommend Community Development Block Grant project for Searchlight. (For possible action)

During a lengthy discussion between the STAB members and residents, the town board recommended a CDBG application by Parks and Recreation for the Parks and Recreation Fitness Center.

Jane Overy suggested to start the planning procedure for next year's CDBG project this year.

Chair Kyle Myers motioned to recommend the Parks and Recreation Fitness Center as the CDBG project for Searchlight. Janis Kostecky seconded the motion. Motion passed, 4-0.

#### VIII. Public Comment:

Max Bailey, Searchlight resident, voiced his concern regarding Metro not responding to any requests and the length of time it takes Metro to respond to calls. He asked Metro to respond to the questions and concerns by the residents.

- IX. Next Meeting Date: August 14, 2019.
- X. Adjournment: 08:16 p.m.

These minutes are in draft form and will be formally approved at the August 14, 2019 meeting. Any corrections to these minutes will be reflected in the meeting minutes of the September 11, 2019.

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